

## **Interagency Council on Homelessness Meeting 8/30/2016**

### **Present**

Cayla Wilson – Park Center Nashville  
Lorrie Shearon – TN Housing Development Agency  
Don Watt – TN Housing Development Agency  
Jonathan Bolding – TN Dept. of Education  
Nikki Edney – Centerstone Research Institute  
Michael Myszka – Bureau of TennCare  
Debbie Hillin – Buffalo Valley, Central Tennessee Continuum of Care  
Mike Dunthorn – Knox County Continuum of Care  
Michael Johnson – TN Dept. of Corrections  
Judith Tackett – Metro Homelessness Commission  
Marisa Whitsett – Alliance Healthcare Services, Memphis  
Nneka Norman-Gordon – TN Dept. of Human Services  
Michael Needel – TN Dept. of Labor and Workforce Development  
Benjamin Passino - TN Dept. of Labor and Workforce Development  
Elizabeth Fletcher - Alliance Healthcare Services, Memphis  
Robyn Butterfield - Alliance Healthcare Services, Memphis  
Mark Breece – TN Department of Veterans Services

### **On Conference Line**

Roger Henderson – Shelby County Govt.  
Melanie Cordell – Tennessee Valley Coalition for the Homeless Continuum of Care  
Clark Harris – Veterans Affairs  
Todd Skelton – Governor's Office  
Wayne Snelling – Tennessee Homeless Solutions Continuum of Care  
Steve Samra - Center for Social Innovation  
Anne Cooper - Appalachian Regional Continuum of Care  
Michael Salazar - U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development  
Michelle Daly – SAMHSA

### **Discussion notes:**

#### **1.1.3**

Currently being addressed – Listed on NOFA. THDA was doing the same. Only one PHA is BV Coc giving homeless preference – Williamson County. Debbie Hillin suggested a workgroup on compiling info from Cocs. DH – Suggests state departments approach PHAs about funding in order to increase homeless preference

Motion for housing PIT/HIC count in a visible place for state department program assessments.  
(Bob – Meant to suggest to you, compiling info on our End Homelessness page for easy accessibility)

Get local workforce boards involved – NCAC w/ CoCs – Increase communication. Mike Needel sending list of directors – Interested in attending CoC meetings and writing of local DOL plans.

**3.1 – 3.1.4** (all but 3.1.1 THDA)

**3.1.3** Follow-up on data collection step

**3.1.2** – Included in duties w/ THDA Strategic Plan

THDA has current newsletter/communication plan

**3.2** – THDA favors “good Landlord” program in Memphis as best practice as a locally administered program, but not likely to work as a statewide effort

BV CoC – Issues with Recovery Within Reach

**4.1** – TnCare pays for supportive services, not housing.

**5.3** – WIOA changed from DOL inserted into implementation flow

**5.4** – DOL educationally deficient/low income programs

**5.5** – Additional opportunity through SNAP funding

TN Reconnect – Funding for adults who have partial degrees to finish education

**6** – Council agrees transportation is still an issue – especially in rural areas.

Discussion of faith-based agencies assisting with transportation problems

**7** – Advocating for changed to TnCare eligibility discussion. Primary Care Association – Links with FQHCs. Vouchers for co-pay? Discussion of multiple co-pays.

Add TCCY to Council.